Response to Office Action of December 19, 2006

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To United States Patent and Trademark Office Examiner's Action

Dear Sir:

## I. Introduction

On December 19, 2006, an United States Patent and Trademark Office (Patent Office) Examiner's Action was issued for the Application. The examiner provided a shortened statutory period for response of three (3) months from the mailing date of the Action, i.e., to March 19, 2007. Applicant submits herewith a Request for Extension of Time of three months, i.e., to June 19, 2007, to reply to this Action. Accordingly, Applicant's Response is timely as it is being filed electronically on June 19, 2007.